SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 252 By Graves

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Heather Bowington, 2003 Valedictorian of Jo Byrns School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Heather Bowington is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class at Jo Byrns School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Bowington has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Heather Bowington has earned a place on the honor roll with her exemplary grade point average, has been honored with the Super Senior Award and the Art Award, and has achieved inclusion in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, all while serving as the Senior Beta Club President; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bowington's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success, particularly as she enters the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga in the fall; and

WHEREAS, Heather Bowington's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert and Vivian Bowington, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Heather Bowington's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Jo Byrns School Valedictorian, Heather Bowington, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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